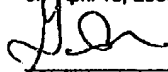

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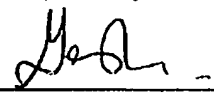
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Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time to file a Response for two months from February 16, 2005 to April 18, 2005.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1155 in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account. This request is being submitted in triplicate.

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